

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4225–S4313

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 681–691. Page S4275

Congressional Budget Resolution: Senate continued consideration of S. Con. Res. 23, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2004 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2003 and for fiscal years 2005 through 2013, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 66), Cochran Amendment No. 369, to make additional funds available for certain homeland security needs. Page S4230

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 67), Conrad (for Feingold/Corzine) Amendment No. 270, to set aside a reserve fund for possible military action and reconstruction in Iraq. Page S4230

Crapo (and Sarbanes) Amendment No. 317, to increase funding for the EPA for Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Pages S4233–35

By 89 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 71), Gregg Amendment No. 377, to increase funding for Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by reducing spending on other government programs by a commensurate amount. Pages S4236–37

Nickles (for Wyden) Amendment No. 328, to increase investments in implementation of the National Fire Plan to benefit national forests, the environment, local communities and local economies. Pages S4242–4243

Brownback Amendment No. 282, to express the sense of the Senate that a commission be established to review the efficiency of Federal agencies. Page S4242–43

By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 77), Byrd Amendment No. 387, to provide adequate funds for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak). Page S4249

Kennedy Modified Amendment No. 311, to increase the maximum Pell Grant from \$4,050 to

\$4,500 at a cost of \$1.8 billion and reduce the public debt by an additional \$1.8 billion, both paid for by a reduction in the non-reconciliation tax cut. Pages S4249–51

Hollings Modified Amendment No. 343, to increase funding for port security. Pages S4253–54

By 79 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 79), Bond Amendment No. 358, to make available funds for certain transportation programs. Page S4256

Stevens/Nickles Amendment No. 391, to express the Sense of the Senate regarding highway spending. Page S4256

Nickles (for Smith/Clinton) Amendment No. 353, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the expansion of health care coverage.

Conrad (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 283, to express the sense of the Senate that the States and localities should be reimbursed through the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program for the fiscal burdens undocumented criminal aliens place on their criminal justice systems.

Nickles Amendment No. 390, to make a technical correction. Pages S4256–68

Nickles (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 388, to require annual reports on the liabilities and future costs of the Federal Government and its programs. Pages S4256–68

Nickles (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 389, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the urgent need for increased funding for the Corps of Engineers. Page S4256–68

Conrad (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 309, to provide the Committee on Finance of the Senate with additional options to reform and improve Medicaid without the need to resort to block grant allotments with predetermined growth rates, which fail to adjust for economic recessions, demographic changes, or disasters. Pages S4256–68

Conrad (for Rockefeller) Modified Amendment No. 296, to express the sense of the Senate that the Attorney General should conduct a study on the need and cost to establish radio interoperability between law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and emergency medical services, and that Congress should authorize and appropriate \$20,000,000 for

grants to local governments to assist fire departments and emergency medical services agencies to establish radio interoperability. **Pages S4256–68**

Rejected:

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 65), Schumer Amendment No. 299, to provide immediate assistance to meet pressing homeland security needs by providing funding in 2003 for first responders, port security, bioterrorism preparedness and prevention, border security and transit security, the FBI; to restore the elimination of funding of the COPS program, firefighter equipment grants, Byrne Grants and Local Law enforcement grants; to provide a sustained commitment of resources for homeland security needs without reducing funding to other key domestic law enforcement and public safety priorities; and to reduce the deficit. **Page S4228**

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 68), Lautenberg Amendment No. 300, to restore national security funding. **Pages S4230–32**

By 22 yeas to 77 nays (Vote No. 69), Hollings Amendment No. 265, to eliminate tax cuts. **Pages S4232–33**

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 70) Conrad Amendment No. 376, to provide full funding for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) part B grants over ten years by reducing tax breaks for the wealthiest taxpayers. **Pages S4235–36**

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 72), Mikulski Amendment No. 349, to revise the resolution to accommodate in reconciliation legislation a partially refundable tax credit of up to \$5,000 for eligible expenses for individuals with long-term or chronic care needs or their family caregivers who pay these expenses; in which “eligible expenses” shall include prescription drugs, medical bills, durable medical equipment, home health care, custodial care, respite care, adult day care, transportation to chronic care or medical facilities, specialized therapy (including occupational therapy, physical therapy, or rehabilitational therapy), other specialized services for children (including day care for children with special needs), and other long term care related expenses as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services; and in which “individuals with long term or chronic care needs” shall mean individuals with multiple chronic conditions, individuals unable to perform activities of daily living, individuals with severe cognitive impairment, individuals with complex medical conditions, and other individuals with similar levels of disability or need for care. **Pages S4237–38**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 73), Clinton Amendment No. 381, to raise the 2003 caps by \$3.5 billion for homeland security funding through a Domestic Defense Fund at the Department of

Homeland Security’s Office of Domestic Preparedness in FY 2003 and to reduce the size of newly proposed tax cuts in the amount of \$7 billion to pay for this amendment and for the cost of previously passed homeland security funding. **Pages S4239–40**

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 74), Dorgan Amendment No. 385, to increase FY 2004 funding for the discretionary programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs by \$1,019,000,000, so it matches the level proposed by a coalition of veterans groups in the Independent Budget; to decrease the deficit by a similar amount; and to use the unreconciled tax cut to pay for it. **Pages S4240–42**

Harkin Amendment No. 386 (to Amendment No. 339), to reduce the reconciliation instruction by \$375 billion, reduce the size of tax cuts allowed by \$980 billion and to reduce deficits by \$1.1 Trillion. (By 58 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 75), Senate tabled the Amendment.) **Pages S4247–48**

By 38 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 76), Breaux Modified Amendment No. 339, to reduce tax cuts to \$350 billion. **Pages S4248–49**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 78), Biden Modified Amendment No. 278, to make available funds for the COPS program. **Page S4253**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that no later than 4 p.m., on Monday, March 24, 2003, the Ranking Member of the Committee on the Budget provide to the Chairman a list of 40 amendments, and the Chairman provide to the Ranking Member a list of no more than 40 amendments, which would then be in order to be offered to the budget resolution; also, that the Senate then resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 23, Budget Resolution, at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, and it be in order for the Majority Leader or Democratic Leader, or their designees, to offer amendments from the respective lists, with votes on or in relation to the amendments as provided for under the Budget Act; provided that no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, Senate proceed to a vote on adoption of S. Con. Res. 23, and that immediately upon adoption of the resolution, Senate proceed to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 95, House companion measure, and that all after the resolving clause be stricken and the text of S. Con. Res. 23, as amended, be inserted in lieu thereof, the resolution be adopted, the Senate then insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page S4313**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 13224, the six month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-29)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Kenneth M. Ford, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2008.

Dario Fernandez-Morera, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2008.

Mary Costa, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2006.

Makoto Fujimura, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2008.

Jerry Pinkney, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2008.

Karen Lias Wolff, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2008.

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Record Vote: Fifteen record votes were taken today. (Total—79) Pages S4228, S4230, S4232, S4233, S4236, S4237, S4238, S4240, S4242, S4248-49, S4253, S4256

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:32 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, March 24, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S.4313)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 24, 2003.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 24 through March 29, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will be in a period of morning business until 5 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, at 9:30 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 23, Budget Resolution, with a series of roll call votes to occur on certain amendments thereto.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. Con. Res. 23, Budget Resolution, with a vote

on final passage of the resolution to occur no later than 4 p.m., including the adoption of H. Con. Res. 95, House companion measure.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: March 26, to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of child nutrition programs, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: March 25, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-106.

March 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management, and Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 25, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for

fiscal year 2004 for the District of Columbia Courts, 9:30 p.m., SD-138.

March 26, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Air Force, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 26, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 27, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Education, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

March 27, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 10 a.m., SD-124.

March 27, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the General Accounting Office, Government Printing Office, and Congressional Budget Office, 1:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: March 26, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Navy shipbuilding programs, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 26, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management and Office of Legacy Management, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 27, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the future of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; to be followed by closed hearings (in Room SH-219), 10 a.m., SH-216.

March 27, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine compensation for disabled military retirees in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2004, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 27, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine intelligence support to warfighters, in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2004, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 25, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Alfred Plamann, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, and Thomas Waters Grant, of New York, Noe Hinojosa, Jr., of Texas, and William Robert Timken, Jr., of Ohio, each to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 27, to hold hearings to examine the implications of cloning on women's health, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 25, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 520, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior

to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho, and S. 625, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies in the Tualatin River Basin in Oregon, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 25, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold oversight hearings to examine National Trail designations and the potential impact of National Trails on private lands, communities, and activities within the viewshed of the trails, and S. 324, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for certain trails in the National Trails System, S. 634, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study on the feasibility of designating the Trail of the Ancients as a national historic trail, and S. 635, to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

March 26, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine issues uncovered as a result of the Blue Ribbon Panel's report of findings on Aerial Fire Fighting Safety and responses to the report, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 27, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain proposals with respect to electricity, including S. 475, to reform the nation's outdated laws relating to the electric industry, improve the operation of our transmission system, enhance reliability of our electric grid, increase consumer benefits from whole electric competition, and restore investor confidence in the electric industry, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 26, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ricky Dale James, of Missouri, and Rear Adm. Nicholas Augustus Prahl, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, both to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, and Richard W. Moore, of Alabama, to be Inspector General, Tennessee Valley Authority, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 25, to hold hearings to examine the Enron situation, focusing on the Joint Committee on Taxation investigation on compensation-related issues, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 25, to hold hearings to examine the qualifications of NATO enlargement, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

March 26, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine foreign assistance, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

March 26, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine global energy security issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

March 27, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine the qualifications for NATO enlargement, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 26, business meeting to consider proposed legislation entitled "Caring for Children Act of 2003", proposed legislation entitled "Genetics Information Non-discrimination Act of 2003", and other pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

March 27, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine health care transmission of global AIDS in Africa, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: March 26, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, focusing on the role and funding of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 26, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Edward C. Prado, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Cecilia M. Altonaga, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Richard D. Bennett, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, Dee D. Drell, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, J. Leon Holmes, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, and Susan G. Braden, of the District of Columbia, and Charles F. Lettow, of Virginia, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 26, hearing to review Artificial Barriers to United States Agricultural Trade and Foreign Food Assistance, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 25, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Administration for Children and Families, 10:15 a.m., and on Administration on Aging, 11:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary and Related Agencies, on State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance, 10 a.m., and on FTC, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 26, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on U.S. Special Operations Command, 9:30 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 26, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Program, on the following: Export-Import Bank; U.S. Trade and Development Agency; and Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

March 26, Subcommittee on Interior, oversight hearing on Everglades, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Health Resources and Services Administration, 10:15 a.m., and on Substance Abuse Mental Health Services, 11:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Members of Congress, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on VA and HUD and Independent Agencies, on Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and State, the Judiciary and Related Agencies, on FBI, 10 a.m., and on Supreme Court, Federal Judiciary, and U.S. Marshals Service, 3 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Missile Defense, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 27, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, on Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, 1:30 p.m., 2362 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Border Security, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 27, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies, on U.S. Postal Service Retirement Payments, 10 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

March 27, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on National Institute of Environmental Health and Services, 10 a.m., and on Consumer Product Safety Commission, 11 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, March 25, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on outsourcing and the OMB Circular A-76 process, 4 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on the fiscal year 2004 national defense authorization budget request for Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicle (UCAV) and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Projection Forces, hearing on the fiscal year 2004 national defense authorization budget request for Navy Projection Forces, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Department of Defense science and technology policy and programs for fiscal year 2004, 4 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Total Force, hearing on the fiscal year 2004 national defense authorization budget request for the defense health program and the next generation of TRICARE contracts and TRICARE retail pharmacy contracts, 1:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 25, hearing on the Congressional Budget Office: Analysis of the President's Budget Fiscal Year 2004, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, March 25, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Benefits, hearing on H.R. 660, Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2003, 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, March 25, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing on H.R. 1320, Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Furthering Public Health Security: Project Bioshield," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, March 25, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Strengthening America's Communities: Examining the Impact of Faith-Based Housing Partnerships," 3 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Financial Services Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on H.R. 1375, Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, March 25, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Protecting the Health of Deployed Forces: Lessons Learned From the Persian Gulf War, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing on "Data Mining: Current Applications and Future Possibilities," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing on "Management and The President's Budget," 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 27, full Committee, hearing entitled "Point, Click, Self-Medicate: A Review of Consumer Safeguards on Internet Pharmacy Sites," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "ONDCP Reauthorization: The National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, March 26, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Southeast Asia, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Human Rights, hearing on Overview of International Terrorist Organizations, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 25, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing and markup of H.R. 760, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 26, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 760, Partial-Birth Abortion Act of 2003 or S. 3, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on the Copyright Royalty and Distribution Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 25, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, oversight hearing on the Status of the National Park Service Conces-

sions Management Program and Implementing Regulations, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 27, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 958, Hydrographic Services Amendments of 2003; H.R. 959, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Oceanography Amendment Act of 2003; and H.R. 984, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 27, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Water Supply and Reliability: The Role of Water Recycling, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 25, to consider H.R. 1104, Child Abduction Prevention Act of 2003, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, March 25, to mark up H.R. 238, Energy Research, Development, Demonstration, and Commercial Application Act of 2003, 4 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 26, hearing on Enhanced Security: Policies and Implications for Foreign Students and Scholars, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, March 26, hearing on the impact of foreign titanium purchased by the Air Force on small and medium sized U.S. manufacturers, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 27, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Aviation Programs, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 27, Subcommittee on Health, oversight hearing on the status of the implementation of Public Law 107-287, Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Preparedness Act of 2002, and post deployment health care for veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 26, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on the impact of the section 201 safeguard action on certain steel products, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 26, executive, hearing on General Defense Intelligence Program, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 27, executive, hearing on Consolidated Cryptologic Program, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: March 25, to hold hearings to examine Medicare's financial crisis, focusing on the long-term financial viability of the program, proposals to add a prescription drug benefit and other reforms, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Next Meeting of the Senate

2 p.m., Monday, March 24

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, March 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will be in a period of morning business until 5 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: Pro forma session.

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